

**Topical Heading**

Special Education

**Program Title**

# Special Education—State Personnel Development Grant Program

**Also Known as**

Special Education—National Activities—State Improvement, State Improvement Grant Program

**CFDA # (or ED #)**

84.323A

**Administering Office**

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)

**Who May Apply (by category)**

State Education Agencies (SEAs)

**Who May Apply (specifically)**

SEAs of the 50 states, Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, or an outlying area (American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands) may apply.

**Current Competitions**

FY 2006 application deadline expected: summer 2006.

**Type of Assistance (by category)**

Discretionary/Competitive Grants

**Appropriations**

Fiscal Year 2004      \$51,060,952

Fiscal Year 2005      \$50,652,512

Fiscal Year 2006      \$50,146,470

Note: This is a forward-funded program. FY 2005 money became available July 1, 2005 and is available for obligation through Sept. 30, 2006.

**Fiscal Year 2006 Awards Information**

*Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.*

Number of New Awards Anticipated: 10

Average New Award: \$1,000,000

Range of New Awards: \$500,000–\$4,000,000 (statutory minimum and maximum)

Number of Continuation Awards: 40

Average Continuation Award: \$1,031,000

Range of Continuation Awards: \$525,000–\$2,079,000

Note: The range of continuation awards does not include the outlying areas.

**Legislative Citation**

*Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*, as amended, Part D, Subpart 1, Secs. 651–655; to be codified at 20 *U.S.C.* 1451–1455.

**Program Regulations**

*EDGAR*

**Program Description**

This program assists SEAs in reforming and improving their systems for personnel preparation and professional development in early intervention, education, and transition services in order to improve results for children with disabilities.

**Types of Projects**

Awards provide funds to SEAs to carry out the purposes of the program.

**Education Level (by category)**

Pre-K, Early Childhood, K–12

**Subject Index**

Disabilities, Early Childhood Education, Educational Improvement, Professional Development, Special Education

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